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# **Amendment to India's Import Protocol on Bovine Semen**

## **Report Categories:**

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### **Report Highlights:**

On May 20, 2009, the Ministry of Agriculture, Government of India (GOI) issued an official Gazette notification regarding an amendment to India's import protocol on bovine semen. The notification has not yet been notified to the WTO.

#### **General Information:**

**Introduction:** This report summarizes the amendment to one of the sanitary conditions specified under the import protocol for bovine semen.

**Disclaimer:** This summary is based on a *cursory* review of the subject announcement and therefore should not under any circumstances, be viewed as a definitive reading of the regulation in question, or of its implications for U.S. agricultural export trade interests.

Type of Regulation: Final

Details on the final Gazette notification No. G.S.R. 1318(E), dated May 20, 2009:

• **Publication Date**: May 20, 2009

• **Date of Implementation**: May 20,2009

• WTO Notification Date: The regulation has not been notified to the

WTO (as of May 26, 2009).

• **Products Affected:** Bovine Semen.

**Agency in Charge**: Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries, Ministry of Agriculture, Government of India

Major Changes: NOTIFICATION (Text as published, attached on page 3)
Additional details on the import protocol for bovine semen (S.O. 1496(E), September 6, 2007)

can be accessed at: <a href="http://www.dahd.nic.in/">http://www.dahd.nic.in/</a>.

The Ministry of Agriculture has amended one of the sanitary conditions specified under the sanitary protocol regulating the import of bovine semen into India. The amendment introduces an option of additional testing methodology 'Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)' for the disease Enzootic bovine leucosis.

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